



## Center for Educational Performance and Information

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#### **CEPI Releases New Statistics About School Personnel**

CEPI recently released a new report about Michigan's K-12 public school personnel. Some highlights include:

- Females represent 48 percent of administrators, 74 percent of teaching staff and 94 percent of paraprofessionals (teaching aides).
- The number of administrators and teachers in the 50-54 age range is higher than in any other age range.
- Minorities represent less than 12 percent of administrators, teachers and paraprofessionals.
- More than 52 percent of teachers have a master's degree or higher. More than 77 percent of administrators have a master's degree or higher.

The report and downloadable data can be found at [www.michigan.gov/cepi](http://www.michigan.gov/cepi).

#### **No Data Left Behind**

The federal *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001* and the Michigan Department of Education's accreditation plan, *Education YES!*, are historic initiatives calling for accountability and academic excellence in every public school. The data that are submitted by school districts to the state and federal government are increasingly critical to the mission of these two initiatives. CEPI is working to facilitate school districts' compliance with the mandates regarding the collection and reporting of data. Already, districts' data are being used by the Michigan Department of Education and the federal government to determine state aid payments, adequate yearly progress, and teachers' qualifications. CEPI is committed to working with districts so that "no data is left behind."

#### **CEPI Improving Services**

Staff members at CEPI have been working hard to provide better services and technology solutions for intermediate and local school districts:

- Running applications in a new server environment, which allows quicker access and uploading of a district's data files to the state.
- Reviewing and re-engineering our applications on a regular basis to provide better performance and to simplify the user-interface.
- Posting up-to-date information and User Guides for all applications to the CEPI Web site to assist districts with their data submissions.
- Eliminating many duplicate and paper reporting forms, which is simplifying the reporting process for school districts. Some of these forms include the pupil headcount (IM-4203), the staff report (IM-4204) and the Gun Free Schools Report (OMB 1810-0602).

#### ***Coming Up...***

***April 1 – June 30, 2003***

*Submission of  
personnel data*

***April 22 – June 30, 2003***

*Submission of  
crime and safety  
data*

***May 12 – July 14, 2003***

*Submission of  
student data*

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CEPI collects and reports data about Michigan's public K-12 schools and students.